



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, December 12, 2023

6:00 PM, Lower Campus Library

Board Member Attendees: Patrick Ellis, AJ Fossel, Joel Postma, John McMahon, Merri Baxter, Jamel Debri & Daniel Longo

School Staff Attendees: Joe Gietzen, Darrell Beckwith & Amanda Cusack

Excused Absences: Joe Schuler & Father Christopher

Joel Postma opened the meeting in prayer at 6:07pm

Joel moved to approve the agenda. Approved by consensus.

Joel moved to approve December minutes. Approved by consensus.

Joe Gietzen gave the Principal's report. He described the Advent projects as well as the all school Christmas program. Father George has retired as Canonical Administrator from ASA as well as Blessed Sacrament. Father Christopher Epplert from St. Alphonsus will now be our Canonical Administrator. Some Kindergarten through second grade students are taking a supplemental MAP testing to assess Reading Fluency to help identify and address learning needs. Our teachers are going to attend the Excellence in Teaching Conference in March, this is funded by grant money. Miss Mary Sacha was hired as a support teacher in our Kindergarten through second grade classrooms. Mrs. Megan Cooke is now our assistant principal based out of the Upper Campus. Dr. Marygrace Tyrrel will start on January 29th as our new Instructional Coach.

In the spring, a focus group comprised of school leadership, law enforcement, parents and our business manager toured the school and identified a need to enhance our security by increasing visual surveillance of our entrances and hallways. We applied for a Mental Health and Safety grant (31aa) which is geared toward providing mental health services to our students and enhancing the security of our building. If approved, this grant will provide funds for a continued mental health social worker as well as providing cameras in the lower campus building interior and better focal points on the external cameras.

Darrell Beckwith and Joe Gietzen presented a tuition rate proposal for the 2024 - 2025 school year in an executive session. Tuition rates were reviewed and approved by consensus.

John McMahon closed with prayer at 7:50pm